MISSISSIPPI DIVISION OF MEDICAID

Section: Third Party Liability

6.3 Third Party Source for Maternity Claim

When filing claims for beneficiaries who have third party coverage and are approved for Medicaid either antepartum or postpartum, the provider has several options in billing Medicaid.

EXAMPLE: A patient, who delivered one month prior, notifies the provider that she has obtained Medicaid coverage - retroactive to the beginning of her pregnancy. However, the provider has already filed the prenatal care and delivery charges with the third party insurer.

The provider has two options that can be utilized to correct the problem:

- 1. The provider may void the TPL claim and bill Medicaid as the primary. Medicaid will pay the claim and seek reimbursement from the third party source; or
- 2. The provider can bill Medicaid and show the amount of the third party payment in the appropriate field on the claim form.